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## GINGER UP. GET IN THE GAME.

That is What we Must do. That is What is Necessary to Do.

Great Bend wants to come into her own, we must move. We must wake up. We can't expect things to come to us. Nothing comes without effort. This applies to cities and communities as well as individuals. We must hustle. This is a strenuous age, and we must tighten our belt and get down to the strenuousness of the times. You will all agree with me that there is no better place any where, from one year to another, than right here in Great Bend. We can make it still a better place, but we must get out of the rut we seem to be occupying at this time. The way to get dollars is to spend dollars for them. This applies to the building of a community as well as to the building up of a business. There is one business man in town interested in various lines of business that is spending more money in printers ink right now than any other two men put together, and just as sure as fate his business, barring accidents, panic, and like occurrences, will be twice that of any other two. He will win. Everybody knows throughout the west of the Jones Dry Goods Co., the W. L. Taylor Dry Goods Co., and Emery, Bird, Thayer Dry Goods Co., to say nothing of other large firms in other lines, will they carry on a tremendous advertising campaign all the time, Kansas City, with a world wide reputation as an active, energetic, pushing western city, is raising a fund of \$2,000 to "advertise" Kansas City. Shawnee, Oklahoma, has raised a fund of sufficient size to scatter tons of literature throughout the eastern states advertising their town. Cities and communities all over are doing this. Why not Great Bend. We have room for more people, we can get them, but it takes some effort. We have made arrangements to be represented on that Syl Dixon Jamestown train, and now we must make good. We must hold our own with other cities and counties represented. This can only be done by preparing for it. This takes money. Let us get out of our shell, get busy, and get some of the good things that are floating around for Barton county. It does not necessarily have to be Great Bend out the county. Let us shake the lethargy and pinchy spirit which seems to have had possession of us for some time, and get down to brass tacks again. It will pay.

Mrs. Henry Lanterman on route six is suffering from a bad case of typhoid fever. She has been ill for three weeks, but is improving some. Her eighteen years old son is ill at the St. Rose hospital, having been there for a week past. He is getting along all right. Mr. Lanterman and his family are certainly having their share of trouble.

On account of conflicting dates the Hutchinson Soldiers Re-union has been "called off." The Dodge City-Southwestern Veterans Association meeting this week, 7, 8, 9, 10, will be the only Re-union in this part of the State this year. Geo. W. Thatcher, Vice Pres. Hutchinson Re-union Association.

## The County Fair.

On account of a partial failure of the wheat crop, and a total failure of fruits of all kinds, the displays at the coming meeting of the county fair will not be as diversified as we could wish. The management is very anxious to have a successful fair and to give the best display in each department that is possible to the end that every person who attends the fair will go away satisfied. It will not be necessary to state that the management can do nothing unless they have the assistance of the people of the county. We wish to make the art department the best this year that it has ever been, but to do that we will have to have the active help of all who can prepare some fancy work, or some art exhibit for display. We shall take more than ordinary care to see that all exhibits are well displayed, as well as cared for, and to see that each article shall be fairly and impractically judged by competent persons who will be selected for that purpose. The management has always in the past had the satisfaction of knowing that there were less complaints on account of the awards by judges, and we shall try to see that all are fairly treated, and we earnestly ask that you help us this year more than you have in the past.

## An Early Settler Gone.

Mrs. Anna Jantz, one of the early settlers of Liberty township, died at the home of Mrs. Jacob Base on Sunday morning, the 28th., at 1:30, after a short illness. Deceased had stepped on a nail the Sunday before, but no bad effects were shown until on Friday, when considerable inflammation appeared, which was followed by an attack of lock jaw. Deceased was 76 years, 4 months, and 15 days old. She came to this country with her husband from Russia in 1877, and has resided here continuously. Those who are left to mourn are the following: Henry Jantz, living in Pawnee county, Mrs. Tobias Unruh, Liberty township, Mrs. Tobias Base, Stafford county, Mrs. Cornelius Buller, Battle Creek Mich., Tobias Jantz, living in California, and Jacob Jantz, living in Arizona. Also the following brothers and sisters survive her: Elizabeth Unruh, Abraham and Peter Dirk, living in this county, Jacob Dirks, Kiowa county, Tobias Dirks, Marion county, and Lena Richer, Reno county. Funeral services were held Monday, and the body laid to rest in the Dundee Valley cemetery. Her husband preceded her in death, dying in February, 1898. Deceased had a large circle of acquaintances, and was a good and kind mother, and a dutiful wife. A large number of friends are left who unite with the relatives in mourning for her loss.

Harry Ball the Collier man was in town Friday.

School district number five is figuring on building a new school house

Dr. Wyatt returned Friday from a short visit to Sterling.

The case of the State vs. Philip when the debt is charged with Grand Larceny was Friday continued by Justice Clayton to 6th.

A marriage license was issued Friday to J. P. Bellinghausen of Kingfisher Oklahoma, age 28 and Miss Marv Scholen of Clatlin, age 21.

Miss Ulanda Hooper returned from a visit to Ellinwood Friday morning accompanied by Miss Irene Dougherty who will visit here several days.

Miss Novma Mering entertained six of her lady friends Thursday evening at 6 o'clock dinner. Those present were Misses Carrie Castle, Alice Russell, Pearl Emley, Frances Cole, and Margaret Osmond. The guests after being served to an elegant dinner wended their way to the home of Miss Russell where a slumber party was held.

## BARTON COUNTY WHEAT YIELD

Secretary Coburn's Correspondent Says It Will Be Two and Half Million.

According to the returns made to Secretary Coburn, on this year's wheat crop, Barton county will have a yield of about two and half million bushels. Mr. Coburn's correspondent says as follows.

Barton county—wheat is about all harvested, after a hard struggle with shortage of help. The yield will run from 5 to 28 bushels per acre. "Barton county will be good for two and a half million bushels of wheat will probably bring the farmers more money than last year's crop." Oats and barley a total failure. Corn could not be better. It is now in the silk and the grounds wet. Many cutting third crop of alfalfa. Hay very heavy. The grounds in good condition for plowing. Farmers pushing plowing to full capacity, as early plowing brings best results. No bugs or insects.

Charley Lewis is home for a few days visit.

Earl Jordan was here from Heizer Thursday evening.

Dr. Meade returned from Salina Thursday evening.

Ed. Hartman was over to Ellinwood Thursday on business.

Earl Barnett son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barnett is reported quite sick.

G.C. Townsend was home from Pratt for a few days visit with his wife.

Chas. Williams of Pawnee Rock went to Baldwin City Friday morning on a visit.

Mrs. John Moffatt returned from a visit to Kansas City and Topeka Thursday evening.

Aus. Fair returned last Friday from Reno county where he has been visiting for a week.

Mrs. A. C. Schemmerhorn, arrived from Hutchinson Friday and will visit here for several days.

Walter Mathewson left for Wichita Friday morning. He will visit there and look after business interests.

Miss Grace Moses and Miss Helen Connet entertained Friday evening for the Misses Fairman and Sharp of Youngstown Ohio.

The Silver Circle of the Catholic church was entertained by Mrs. P. H. Markey Thursday afternoon, in a very pleasant and profitable manner.

Milton McGreevey, wife and boy, left for their home in Kansas City Friday morning after a visit with Father and Mother McGreevey and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. W. Armstrong of Colorado Springs, formerly Miss Dell Heizer, is the mother of a fine little girl baby, born on Dave Heizer's thirty fifth wedding anniversary.

Miss Della Hammond took her Sunday School class for a picnic on the Walnut Friday morning, starting pretty early. We have no doubt that they had a lively time, caught lots of fish and several chiggers.

Mrs. C. S. Allison entertained the Priscilla club Thursday afternoon, also a few other friends, with Mrs. Prof. Baker of El Dorado as a special guest. A delightful afternoon was passed by the ladies.

As Silas Robe was winding up Dr. McPherson's automobile Thursday evening the crank slipped striking Silas between the eyes and cutting quite a gash in his forehead. Dr. McPherson kindly sewed up the wound.

Why don't Great Bend have a band for the fair this year we think with a little encouragement a band could and would be organized here are plenty of good band men in town and we should help get them organized is referred to every one and to some in particular.

## Something Being at Burlington.

The Hoisington Dispatch says: For the past six months or a year there has been considerable discussion as to the amount paid the Electric Light Co., for pumping the city water and using city water for their boilers and making ice. There has never been a contract between the city and Light Co., for pumping or using water and with the exception of a few months last winter, they have paid \$150.00 per month for the pumping.

An effort seems to have been made at the last meeting of the council to settle the matter, but without result. Then the water commissioner got busy to see whether or not the light people did get their water from the city, and an investigation revealed a 1½ inch connection, which the commissioner disconnected, causing the light plant to shut down. Developments came fast, finally an agreement was arrived at. It seems there was a loose way of doing business, which as usual, ended unsatisfactory.

## News and Comments.

The Ohio state central committee, by a vote of 15 to 6 have indorsed Taft for President.

Because a Topeka man escaping from jail was caught on the fence, the Hutchinson News is using the instance in trying to shoot the square dealers off the fence into the Taft camp.

"Forty cocktails cannot put a good man down," says the New York Sun. "But it takes a good man to put forty cocktails down" says Col. Cordry. Query, how does he know?

Last month receipts were of live stock at Kansas City, were 214,000 cattle, 36,000 calves, 258,000 hogs, 89,000 sheep, 3,500 horses and 13,000 carloads of all kinds of stock, averaging 50 cars daily.

If the editor of the Winfield Free Press had ever attended a threshing bee, he would not be so keen to have those entertainments resumed. He might get stung again

A frankfurter trust has been organized in New York City under the name of the Protective United Provision company and very appropriately will label each frankfurter with the initials P. U. P., doubtless in compliance with the new pure food law, which requires that the label tells what the package contains.—Hutchinson News

Chas. Brooker has returned from Wichita.

Gos Schreppe and Gottlieb Ernsting were up from Ellinwood Saturday.

Mr. Graham wife and baby came in Saturday morning and stayed over Sunday.

A. B. Riddle left for Scott county Friday evening where he is interested in the case of State vs. Neibert charged with appropriating a piano.

Henry Lebold of Seneca county Ohio stopped off here on his return from California to visit a day or two. He is a cousin of Mrs. J. V. Brinkman.

Wm. Osmond came in Saturday morning from Kiowa county where he had been on business and incidentally looking after his farms and crops.

George Holman returned from Hays City Friday afternoon, and has started on an overland trip for Dodge City, where he expects to make his headquarters henceforth.

Misses Grace Grotz, Ella Vollmer and May Foster, accompanied by Misses Ethel Smith, Ella Roach, Mabel Rauschen of Emporia left for Colorado for a two weeks' outing, Sunday evening.

Prof. Bowersox left Friday evening for Scandia to visit his wife who has been visiting there for some time, also his wife's folks, and incident his own folks. The Prof. may not return here as he has an offer of a situation in a bank, there which he is considering.

## Fruit, and especially Winter Apples

Pays better than any kind of crop that can be raised on land that is adapted to growing trees. Of course they must be sprayed, pruned, cultivated and planted right, and you must use judgment in selecting the best kinds, and buy where you are sure that you will get the best, guaranteed to be true to name. Don't think that you are saving money when you buy a tree for a few cents less from some transient or irresponsible firm. The STARK BROS. NURSERY IS RELIABLE—has 82 years reputation for fair and square dealing.

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